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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No. : 10/738,938  
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Title : RECOMBINANT MYCOBACTERIA  
OVEREXPRESSING D-ALANINE LIGASE GENE AND  
USES THEREFORE  
Group/Art Unit : 1652  
Examiner : Delia M. Ramirez  
Confirmation No. : 8745  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION**

MS AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application in response to the Advisory Action mailed October 30, 2007. A Petition for a One Month Extension of Time under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is being filed herewith.

Amendments to Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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